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South Cook County Traffic Signal Upgrades Begin Monday

CHICAGO - The Illinois Department of Transportation announced that 52 traffic signal modernization projects at various locations in south Cook County are scheduled to begin, weather permitting, Monday, Sept. 22.

Traffic signals will be installed at intersections throughout the southern portion of the county. Other work will include changing signal heads to modernized LED signals, installing battery backup systems in the event of power failures, adding pedestrian signal heads, replacing some traffic signal posts and modernizing the controllers. The projects could require reducing some roads to a single lane of traffic, with flaggers present during the daytime hours where construction is taking place.

The anticipated completion date for this project is July 15, 2015.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1 at <http://goo.gl/upgvZu>. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.

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